

Azure Tech Groups Leaders Update

Greetings,

September means transitioning to a new season and for many, the start of school and a return to “normal” activities. We hope this season brings you new opportunities, fresh perspectives, and growth. Here are some highlights, tips, interesting finds, and events that may inspire you.

Quarterly call highlights

We want to give a special thanks to **Tiago Costa** ([Azure User Group Portugal](#)) and **David Patrick** ([Baltimore Cloud Meetup](#)) for sharing their insights and tips for hosting hybrid meetings and earning trust as you build your community on the September quarterly call.

If you missed it earlier this month, you can access the video replay, grab the presentation, and get the highlights in the [Azure Tech Groups Leaders Hub](#).

[Click here](#) to get the recap

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News and tips from Meetup

In the next few weeks, Meetup will be rolling out new features to help people gather in-person in a safe way. Organizers will be able to indicate which COVID-19 safety measures they will be taking at each event, from mask guidelines to vaccine requirements, and be able to indicate whether the event will be held outdoors. Later, we'll make it possible for members to filter their search results using these criteria to find events that they are most comfortable attending. Instead of waiting for the world to return to a pre-pandemic mindset when it comes to in-person gatherings, Meetup will be making a series of proactive changes to fit new circumstances. Keep an eye out for these new options soon. In the meantime, check out these blog posts on ways to meet IRL safely:

- [Recording: Pick Up Where You Left Off – IRL!](#)
- [How to Host Safe Outdoor Events on Meetup](#)

Interesting finds

Getting to know you

As community leaders, we know you likely look for ways to connect with your members and get them, inspired, excited, and engaged. This month, we want to know what inspires you. Visit the [Azure Tech Groups Leaders Hub](#) **Getting to know you** series to tell us about your side projects, hobbies, heroes, fur babies, or whatever it is that inspires you each day.

Getting to know you: When you're inspired

Event Reminder: Microsoft Ignite – November 2-4, 2021

- [Click here](#) to register, view the speaker lineup & agenda, and connect with the community.

- [Click here](#) to share your Ignite ideas and tell us how you and your group are getting involved.

Resources

Azure Tech Groups resources:

- [Azure Tech Groups – Leader's Hub](#)
- [Azure Tech Groups program guide](#)
- [Azure Tech Community GitHub](#)

Free tools to support meeting virtually:

- [Video meeting from Skype](#)
- [Microsoft Teams](#)

Newsletter archive

If you missed our last update (or any previous updates), you can visit our newsletter archive to find past editions.

- [Check out the archive](#)

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